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SUBJECT: FOREIGN STUDENT PROGRAM---CU TOP-UP

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1. CU COULD CONSIDER "TOP-UP" FUNDING FOR AHMED BABIKER EL TAHIR TO ATTEND UNIV. PENN. IF POST WILLING USE CU ALLOCATION. TOP-UP WILL BE CONSIDERABLE, SINCE COST ESTIMATE AT PENN. WOULD BE DOLS 4,000 FOR TUITION/FEES, MAINTENANCE FOR 10 MONTHS DOLS 3,750 AT LEAST, AND BOOKS DOLS 150. THUS CU SHARE WOULD BE AROUND DOLS 5,000 PLUS ROUND-TRIP TRAVEL FROM LONDON. CU/AF SENDING IIE APPLICATION WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED BY EL TAHIR AND RETURNED TO DEPT SOONEST IN ORDER OBTAIN NECESSARY BFS APPROVAL AND ISSUANCE OF TERMS OF APPOINTMENT.

2. ABDALLA AND FAROUK CANNOT BE CONSIDERED FOR ANY TYPE OF CU FUNDING SINCE THEY ARE RECIPIENTS OF AFGRAD AWARDS AND THUS CANNOT RECEIVE USG FUNDS FROM TWO SOURCES. AAI/NY ADVISES THAT THEY HAVE CONFIRMATION FROM UNIV. KHARTOUM THAT THEY WILL COVER COST OF ENGLISH PROGRAM AT CORNELL FOR FAROUK. BASED ON THIS ASSURANCE, AFGRAD AWARD WAS GIVEN. DAVIS AT AAI IS LOOKING INTO POSSIBILITY OF ABDALLA ATTENDING GEORGETOWN ENGLISH PROGRAM AT AFGRAD

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EXPENSE AND OBTAINING CORNELL CONCURRENCE, OR EXCUSING

HIM FROM ENGLISH TRAINING. THEY WILL ADVISE POST OF OUT-
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